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In re Patent Application of:

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Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2008, that issued in connection with the above-identified application. Accordingly, the filing of this response is timely, and no fee in connection with such filing is believed due.

Applicants have given careful consideration to the grounds for rejection and objection. The following amendments and remarks are believed to place this application in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

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